

Whom it may concern,

I am writing in regard to an illegal, unconstitutional and brazenly political attempt to rob myself and others with asbestos lung disease of my right to trial by jury, Court Rule No 2003-1

The Michigan Constitution as well as the U.S. Constitution states that judges are not to make laws, but to interpret the laws. Why is the Michigan Supreme Court even considering taking steps that would change laws that give asbestos victims their right to trial by jury.

It seems that Michigan and the Michigan Supreme Court are being used as tools of the asbestos industry & big business to deny working people their Constitutional rights to trials when harmed by corporate misconduct.

The crisis in the state of Michigan regarding asbestos litigation is the fact that big business, corporations, the asbestos industry & law firms like Dickinson Wright feel free to try to take the working peoples lawsuits out of court & away from the courts.

The real crisis in Michigan is the failure of corporations to take responsibility for their bad actions and the willingness of big business & certain conservative republican judges to blame the victims of corporate misconduct instead of holding the corporations accountable.

What are the true facts about asbestos litigation in Michigan? In fact, in the last four years, only one case tried to verdict in the entire State of Michigan. All other cases settle before trial.

I am requesting now, that the Michigan Supreme Court will protect my rights as well as the rights of others who are being affected by exposure to asbestos on their jobs.

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